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Paul Morabito, Chairman State Coastal Conservancy 1330 Broadway, Suite 1100 Oakland, California 94612

Dear Mr. Morabito:

I am writing to express my support for the application submitted by Marin Agricultural Land Trust (MALT), for funding for the Pozzi project agricultural conservation easement acquisition. This property, located on the east shore of Tomales Bay in West Marin County, encompasses 1,125 acres of agricultural land used to raise sheep and beef eattle.

It is my understanding that with this funding, MALT will be able to permanently protect the land comprising the Pozzi family's two properties, restricting building and protecting wildlife. West Marin County has a high risk of development through increased residential, commercial and transportation building. This growth is extremely detrimental to agriculture and wildlife in an area designated by local, state and federal agencies as deserving a high level of protection. Tomales Bay, part of the Gulf of Farallons National Marine Sanctuary, also qualifies as a wetland of regional importance under the Western Hemisphere Shorebird Reserve Network. This easement would help to ensure this land remain open and protected, offering scenic vistas, watershed resources and habitat conservation to both the human and wildlife communities.

This project will greatly benefit the 6<sup>th</sup> Congressional District and I urge you to give this application your full and careful consideration. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Stephanie Kenny in my Santa Rosa office at (707) 542-7182.

Sincerely,

Lynn Woolsey Member of Congress

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JOHN L. BURTON PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE



November 5, 2004

Sam Schuchat, Executive Officer California Coastal Conservancy 1330 Broadway, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Mr. Schueher

I am writing to offer my full support of Marin Agricultural Land Trust's request for \$1,000,000 from the State Coastal Conservancy Board to assist with the Pozzi project agricultural conservation easement acquisition. This is an unprecedented opportunity to permanently protect one of the largest ranches that fronts on the east shore of Tomales Bay and Walker Creek in Marin County. The property's location adjacent to Tomales Bay presents a significant opportunity to protect and enhance the water quality of the Bay, which is designated a part of the Gulf of the Farallones National Marine Sanctuary and a "Wetland of International Importance" by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service.

The Pozzis are young agriculturalists with a long family history in Marin. The sale of an agricultural conservation easement to MALT will enable them to buy the two contiguous ranches they have been leasing for several years, consolidating these ownerships into one and ensuring that the land remains productive and undeveloped. In addition to permanently protecting this important property for Marin's agricultural land base, this easement acquisition will provide protection of open space, scenic vistas, watershed resources and wildlife habitat that will benefit all Bay Area residents and the millions of visitors to our coast.

This is an important opportunity for MALT to permanently protect 1,125 acres of productive and beautiful land on the east shore of Tomales Bay from future development. MALT's pioneering work in agricultural land preservation over the last 25 years has permanently protected 53 Marin County family ranches on 35,000 acres. Completion of the Pozzi project is a high priority project for MALT and I believe it is worthy of support from the Conservancy. Thank you for your consideration.

Peace and friendship,

JOHN L. BURTON President pro Tempore

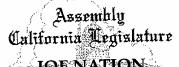
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November 10, 2004

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Sincerely,

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Assemblyman, 6th District

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November 4, 2004

Mr. Paul Morabito, Chairman State Coastal Conservancy 1330 Broadway, Suite 1100 Oakland, CA 94612

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Sincerely,

Steve Kinsey

Supervisor, District Four